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1. A covert deception program is proposed, [redacted] the purpose of which is to create the impression in the minds of the Soviets that the U. S. is preparing support for uprisings and revolt in the East following a breakdown of the diplomatic efforts to resolve the Berlin crisis, i.e. the assumptions on which military and non-military contingency planning are based.

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2. The program contemplates the actual carrying out in the West of a number of preparatory measures which are prerequisite to the conduct of operations to support uprisings and revolt in the East. These measures are planned to occur in order of increasing severity and are considered to be of such nature that implementation of one step does not necessarily require that the next succeeding action be undertaken. Information as to steps actually taken will be allowed (apparently unintentionally) to reach the Soviets.

3. The emphasis of this covert program is on the deception phase with the specific purpose of influencing Soviet behaviour during that period in which efforts to resolve

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resolve problems underlying the Berlin crisis by diplomatic negotiation are continuing.

4. It is assumed that any evidence of serious unrest among East Germans and/or other Satellites or evidence that the West has a capability and the intention to incite unrest in these areas might increase the likelihood of a Soviet abandonment of its stand on Berlin. Thus, the purpose of the plan is to convey to the Soviets the impression that:

a. The West is making plans to exploit latent unrest in the Satellites and that,

b. The West intends to implement these plans in case the GDR and/or the Soviets are blocking free transit to West Berlin.

5. According to present plans, action on the following measures in the sequence listed is to be undertaken:

a. Allowing information to reach Bloc leaders that the U. S. may intend to actively support opposition to communism in the GDR and the European Satellites.

b. Reinforcement of a. above by leaking to the Soviets information on concrete U. S. plans for stockpiling of U/W equipment and preparations and plans for

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for activating resistance groups in Berlin and the Satellites.

e. Reinforcement of a. and b. above by show of activity involving movement of U/W gear and other support material.

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